

Laurel Man Arrested After Pulling a Knife on Troopers



Saa'diq A. Holmes

Presented by Public Information Officer, Master Corporal Gary Fournier

Laurel – State Police have arrested a Delmar man after he pulled a knife on troopers during a traffic stop near Laurel.

The incident occurred Thursday October 20, 2016 around 10:10 p.m. as troopers from the Pro-Active Criminal Enforcement (P.A.C.E.) team observed a male walking northbound on Sussex Highway (US13) in the area of Gordy Road without an illumination device. The troopers performed a traffic stop on the pedestrian, who was later identified as Saa'diq A. Holmes, 18 of Delmar, Delaware, and requested to perform a pat-down search. Holmes then reached behind his back and pulled a large steak knife from his waistband and began pointing it at the troopers. One of the troopers immediately disarmed Holmes by grabbing it away. The troopers continued to search him when he pulled away from one of the trooper and began fleeing. As he was running, the other trooper was able to grab Holmes' shirt, but he then struck the trooper in the head and broke free from the grasp. As Holmes was fleeing, he threw what later turned out to be 39 bags (.585 grams) of heroin from the front of his waistband onto the ground and was eventually taken into custody after a trooper utilized a divisionally issued Taser.

Saa'diq Holmes was transported back to Troop 5 where he was charged with Resisting Arrest with Force, Carrying a Concealed Deadly Weapon, Reckless Endangering 2nd, Tampering with Physical Evidence, Possession of Heroin, Possession of Drug Paraphernalia, Offensive Touching of a Law Enforcement Officer, and Failure to Carry a Light on a Highway. He was arraigned at JP3 and committed to Sussex Correctional Institution on \$6,251.00 cash bond.

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